



The Market Foundation was established in 1982 to support the Market's services for low-income people, including its Clinic, Senior Center, Food Bank and Child Care & Preschool. The Foundation also supports the Market's heritage programs, public improvements and repairs to the Market's historic buildings, development of new low-income housing in the Market, and programs that assist the Market's farmers.

## Programs Provided Through the Pike Place Market Foundation

Through fundraising efforts, events, and countless grants, the Market Foundation serves the Market and downtown Seattle communities in many ways:

- Providing Market Fresh Coupons to low-income Market residents so they have access to fresh produce year-round.
- Connecting Seattle food banks and meal programs through FoodLink, a volunteer program that distributes the Market's unsold produce on weekday afternoons from June - October.
- Purchasing Market Basket subscriptions for low-income families.
- Maintaining the Farmer Relief Fund to help farmers when emergencies strike.
- Supporting low-income housing programs both at the Market and throughout Downtown Seattle.
- Funding essential services for the frail and elderly, including advocacy and development.

### **Rachel**

Rachel, the Market's bronze piggybank, has been bringing in the bacon for the Market Foundation since the Market's 79th birthday in 1986. People from all over the world feed Rachel with pennies, quarters, checks, pesos, lira, yen, and rials, contributing \$6,000 to \$9,000 to the Market Foundation each year.

Rachel weighs in at 550 pounds and was created by Georgia Gerber, a sculptor living on Whidbey Island, Washington. She was named after a real 750-pound pig named Rachel, the 1985 winner of the Island County Fair. Rachel's favorite holiday is March 1, National Pig Day.

## Did you know?

- \$250 provides 12 months of medication to prevent congestive heart failure for a low-income senior.
- \$100 gives flu shots to 10 at-risk elderly patients.
- \$35 gives a patient an hour of mental health counseling or 10 seniors an exercise class.
- \$250 gives a low-income child a one-month scholarship to the Pike Place Market Day Care and Preschool.
- \$100 gives art supplies to an entire Preschool class for 5 months.
- \$35 gives 13 families baby food and diapers along with their bag of groceries.
- \$250 gives 5 months of coffee or 30,000 cups of coffee to seniors at the Pike Place Senior Center.
- \$100 gives live entertainment, cake, and presents for seniors at a monthly birthday party.
- \$35 gives bus tickets to get 35 seniors to jobs.
- \$250 gives a family an overflowing Market Basket for half the summer.
- \$100 gives all 48 kids at the Preschool lunch for two days.
- \$35 gives 175 pounds of groceries to hungry people.

. Want to know more about how you can help these organizations? Talk to your Employee Giving Program Coordinator and ask for a catalog, or check out the Employee Giving Program website at [www.metrokc.gov/giving](http://www.metrokc.gov/giving). Remember, Giving Works!

## THE PIKE PLACE MARKET FOUNDATION

The Pike Place Market Foundation works to preserve and enhance the spirit and diversity of the Pike Place Market community by addressing the needs of downtown Seattle's low-income and elderly residents. The Foundation provides food, shelter, employment services, health care and child care for needy individuals in the Market neighborhood.

### Participating Nonprofits:

Downtown Food Bank  
1531 Western Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98101

Heritage House at the Market  
1533 Western Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98101

Pike Market Child Care and  
Preschool  
1501 Pike Place, Suite 313  
Seattle, WA 98101

Pike Market Medical Clinic  
1930 Post Alley  
Seattle, WA 98101

Pike Market Senior Center  
1931 1<sup>st</sup> Ave,  
Seattle, WA 98101